ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA: Mental Retardation

Legal Requirement	Indicator	Documentation
NOTE: Basis for legal requirements found in the M	issouri State Plan for Special Education, Section III	
100000 (100010-100030) Child performs 2.0 Standard deviations below peers:	Documentation regarding the child's performance includes the following:	Evaluation report
	 Name of cognitive measure used 	
	 Score obtained for child 	
	 Statement that score is equal to or below 2.0 SD from the mean for that measure which is valid when considering age, ethnic and cultural background 	
	NOTE: The score obtained will vary depending upon the instrument. It may be an IQ score, scale score, standard score, percentile, Z score, or developmental age.	
100100 (100110-100130) Adaptive behavior is consistent with cognitive abilities:	Documentation of adaptive behavior includes the following:	Evaluation report
	 Name of the adaptive behavior scale administered 	
	 Results of that evaluation 	
	 The overall score on measured adaptive behavior is consistent with cognitive abilities 	
	OR	
100200 Professional judgment:	 Sufficient data is present in the evaluation report to document a significant discrepancy even though the deviation does not fall below the criterion range. 	Evaluation report
	 Documentation may be obtained through formal and informal assessment to support this decision. 	
	AND	
100300 (100310-100320) Reduced cognitive ability and adaptive behavior adversely affects educational performance:	Results from formal and/or informal assessments in achievement and other areas of functioning such as communication skills and social skill development indicate the following:	Evaluation report
	 Reduced cognitive abilities and adaptive behavior adversely affect educational performance 	
	 Specific areas of impact are described 	